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SUBJECT: INTER-ACADEMY AGREEMENT - HAMMOND-SKRYABIN  
CORRESPONDENCE

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1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED FROM MITCHELL OF NAS COPIES OF MARCH 31 NAS INTERNAL MEMO AND APRIL 7 HAMMOND-SKRYABIN LETTER CONCERNING DISPOSITION OF UNUSED QUOTAS UNDER INTER-ACADEMY AGREEMENT. AS EXPLAINED BELOW, NAS IS OFFERING TO RELINQUISH ALL BUT 100 MONTHS OF ITS 150.75 "UNUSED BALANCE". AT THE SAME TIME IT IS DECLINING TO PROGRAM 8.5 MONTH SOVIET UNUSED BALANCE OR TO CONSIDER AN ADDITIONAL SOVIET QUOTA. COPIES OF MEMO AND LETTER POUCHED TO EMBASSY REGISTRY NUMBER 1909561.

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2. NAS ALSO FURNISHED FOR DEPARTMENT AND EMBASSY'S CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION THE FOLLOWING EXPLANATION OF QUOTA SITUATION AND OUTLINE OF FUTURE NEGOTIATING POSITIONS NAS MAY ADOPT IN CORRESPONDENCE WITH SOVIET ACADEMY ON THIS ISSUE:  
(BEGIN TEXT)

FROM INTERACADEMY AGREEMENT FOR 1974-1975 TO MARCH 1976  
NAS FELL SHORT OF QUOTA USE BY 150.75 MONTHS WHILE DURING  
SAME PERIOD ASUSSR FELL SHORT BY 8.5 MONTHS. PRINCIPAL  
REASON FOR SHORTFALL WAS UNEXPECTEDLY WITHDRAWN FUNDING  
FOR 50 INCREASE IN EXCHANGE PROGRAM IN 1975, BUT OTHER  
FACTORS PREVENTED NAS FROM RAPID RECOVERY WHEN SOME FUNDS  
WERE RESTORED LATE IN THE CYCLE OF 1974-1975 AGREEMENT  
AND SUBSEQUENTLY. SINCE THERE HAS NEVER BEEN TOTAL  
IDENTITY OF DATE OF EXCHANGE VISIT AND YEAR TO WHOSE  
QUOTA IT IS ATTRIBUTABLE NAS HAS ASSUMED THAT IT WOULD BE  
ABLE TO RECAPTURE A SIGNIFICANT PART OF SHORTFALL IF  
FUNDING AND DEMAND BY QUALIFIED AMERICANS PERMITTED. NAS  
HAS THEREFORE NOMINATED AMERICANS ATTRIBUTABLE TO 1978  
QUOTA OF 100 MONTHS IN TOTAL OF 145.75 MONTHS. EVEN SO  
NAS CALCULATES BALANCE OF SHORTFALL AT 150.75 MONTHS.  
ASUSSR HAS NOT COMPLAINED ABOUT NAS NOMINATIONS UP TO  
145.75 MONTHS BUT HAS SAID THAT BOTH ACADEMIES HAVE USED  
ALL QUOTA AT THIS TIME AND CANNOT NOMINATE ADDITIONALLY  
WITHIN CURRENT CEILING, PROPOSING AGREEMENT ON AN ADDI-  
TIONAL FIFTY MONTHS OF QUOTA FOR UP TO 25 PARTICIPANTS.  
NAS REPLIED THAT IT COULD NOT AGREE TO INCREASE QUOTA IN  
1978 AND THAT IT IS REVIEWING QUOTA USAGE AND ASSUMED  
THAT IT HAD SOME CALL ON UNUSED QUOTA SINCE 1974-1975  
AGREEMENT. ASUSSR COUNTERED THAT NAS CALL ON UNUSED  
QUOTA FROM PAST COULD BE CONSIDERED IF EQUIVALENT NUMBER  
OF ASUSSR SCIENTISTS COULD BE RECEIVED BY NAS.  
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NAS HAS FUNDS FOR 73 MONTHS OF ADDITIONAL AMERICANS AND  
NONE ALLOCATED FOR SOVIETS AND HOPES TO NEGOTIATE BY  
TELEX A FINAL SETTLEMENT ON THESE TERMS. SHOULD ASUSSR  
BE TOTALLY UNWILLING TO AGREE AND CONTINUE TO INSIST ON  
SOME QUOTA INCREMENT, NAS MIGHT BE PREPARED TO CONSIDER  
SOME SPLIT OF THE FUNDS SUPPORTING THE 73 MONTHS CURRENTLY  
FUNDED FOR AMERICANS IN ORDER TO ACCOMMODATE AT LEAST  
SOME ADDITIONAL AMERICAN EXCHANGE CANDIDATES IN 1978.  
HOWEVER, SUCH FALLBACK POSITION WILL DEPEND ON CIRCUM-  
STANCES WHEN SUCH DECISION WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE.  
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